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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995



Application Number	09/525,477
Confirmation Number	9792
Filing Date	March 15, 2000
First Named Inventor	Hisashi MIYAZAWA
Group Art Unit	2861
Examiner Name	Judy Nguyen
Matter Number	Q58280
Title	INK-JET RECORDING DEVICE AND INK SUPPLY UNIT SUITABLE FOR IT

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$740.00 was submitted on March 4, 2002 and therefore, **no fee is needed**.
However, you are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account
No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any
petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the
application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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Signature _____ Date May 6, 2002

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SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

ATTN: BOX RCE
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Supplemental Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

REMARKS

On March 4, 2002, Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and paid the RCE statutory fee of \$740.00. Subsequently, Applicant received a Notice of Improper Request for Continued Examination from Examiner D. Smalls-Logan having a mailing date of March 12, 2002. In the Notice, Applicant was informed that the RCE filed on March 4, 2002 was improper because the submission was not considered to be a *bona fide* attempt. Specifically, the Applicant did not file a complete response to the pending final office action. Accordingly,



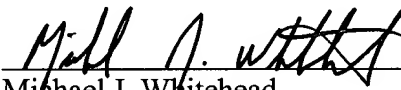
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Applicant submits this Supplemental RCE along with a complete response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 to the pending final office action. Therefore, Applicant now submits that the RCE is proper and since the fee was paid on March 4, 2002, no additional fees should now be due.

However, should the Applicant's understanding be incorrect, please charge any fees necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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